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1. **[REDACTED]** the naval strength of the Dominican Republic states that there are approximately 1,000 men in the Dominican Navy, including fifty cadets who have been drawn from the better families in the Republic. **[REDACTED]** some of the enlistments were not voluntary on the part of the cadets. These cadets are trained and also housed in barracks at Calderas.
2. Negotiations have been carried on for the purchase of the Flame and the Hoppe, destroyers or destroyer escorts of the British Navy. These are reported to have been purchased and will be brought to the Dominican Republic in the near future.
3. There are practically 12,000 men under arms in the Dominican Republic, including Army, Police, and the Secret Police.

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